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When the Soil refuses to yield; -

DR. BRADFORD KNAPP -

"Has long advocated a system for Southern farmers, which we have called Safe Farming. By safe farming we mean a system which provides food for the people and feed for the livestock of the South; which maintains our soil fertility and then devotes a reasonable acreage to the production of cash crops to be sold in the markets of the world.

"Safe farming presumes an income for the farmer not from one crop but dependent upon a number of well chosen products of the farm, livestock as well as crops, making a better balanced agriculture, a safer system, on a better rural life. I am firmly convinced that the farmers of the South ought to change as they have changed in the past few years until they reach a substantial basis which I have endeavored to describe as Safe Farming."

F I R S T A I D .

COLLEGE SHORT COURSES.

The Farmers' Short Course and State Wide Conferences are of such momentous importance this Season that attendance must not fail even if the Railroad Administration has refused to grant the farmers reduced fares.

A Short Course for Farmers will be held at the University of Florida College of Agriculture, on January 7th to 17th, 1919. Special courses will be given in poultry, citrus culture, agricultural engineering including tractors, gas engines, care and repair of farm machinery, concrete construction etc. A catalogue of instructions will be issued.

The Boys' Short Course in Agriculture will be held at the University of Florida on December 9th to 14th, 1918.

A ten days Short Course for Farmers and Farm Women will be given beginning January 1st, 1919 at the Georgia Agricultural College. The Short Course Home Demonstration will also be held on January 2nd to February 15th.

The North Carolina Farmers Short Course begins January 2nd, 1919 and continues eight weeks at West Raleigh.

The Maryland Special Winter Short Course begins January 6th, 1919, and closes on March 15th, 1919.

On the Second Monday in January a ten day course in butter making will be given at the A. & M. College of Texas.

COUNTY AGENT AND HOME DEMONSTRATION MEETINGS ETC.

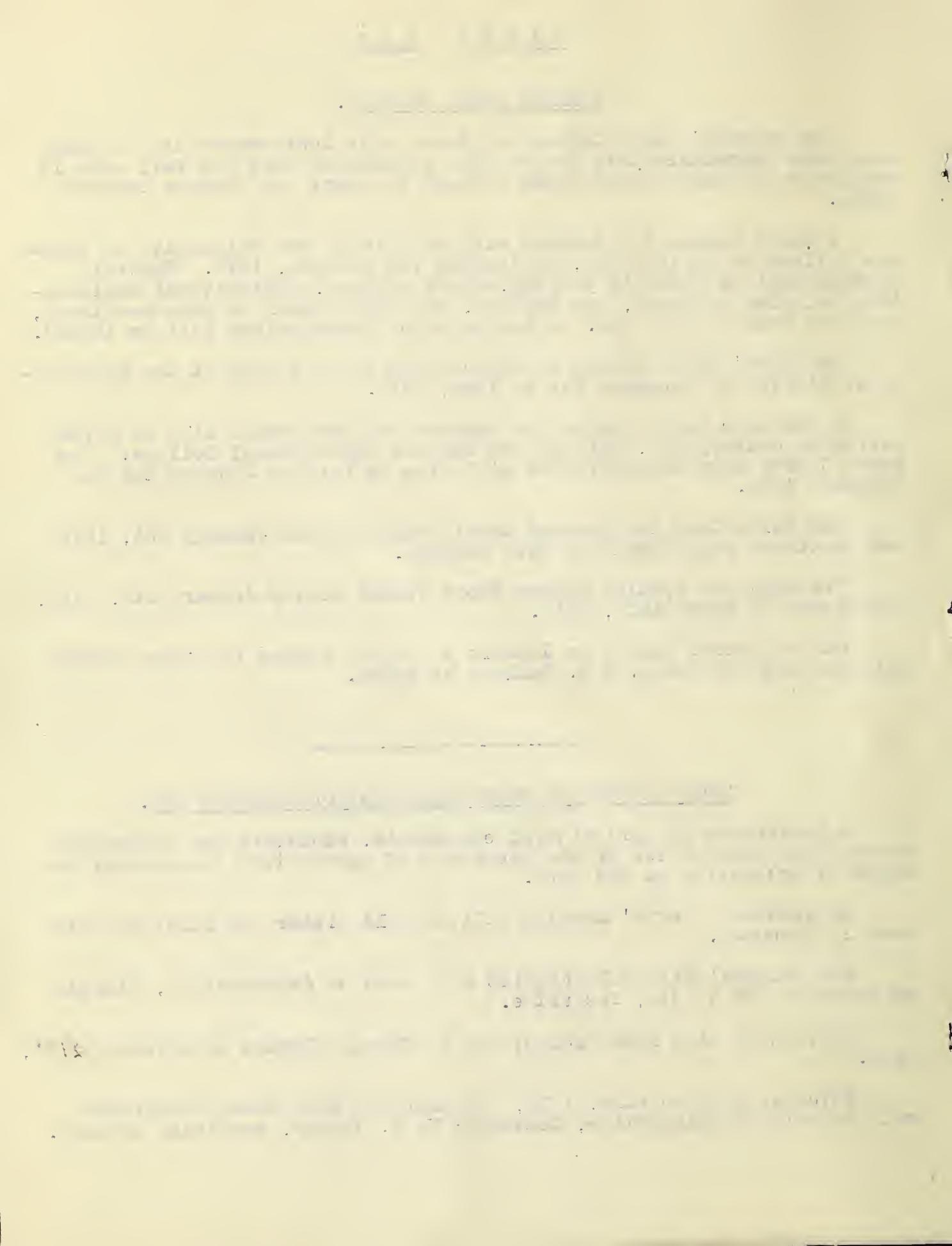
A Conference of Agricultural economists, educators and successful farmers has been called by the Secretary of Agriculture to consider the costs of production on the farm.

An Arkansas Agents' meeting will be held either the first or third week in December.

The Farmers' National Congress will meet at Jacksonville, Florida on December 3rd to 6th, inclusive.

There will be a Food Product day at Tampa, Florida on November 21st, 1918.

November 21st to 23rd, 1918, the Mountain Life Rural Conference will be held at Paintsville, Kentucky; K. L. Varney, presiding officer.



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The Executive Committee of Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations from present information will meet at Baltimore, Maryland, on January 8th, 1919.

The Annual meeting of the Directors of Extension will probably be held the first week in January at Baltimore, Maryland, and the annual meeting of the State Home Demonstration Agents will probably also be held in Washington, D. C. during the first week in January and after the meeting the Demonstration Agents will go to Baltimore to attend the general Association.

December 9th and 13th, the Southern Commercial Congress, Baltimore, Maryland.

A Meeting of the Maryland Agricultural Society on December 9th to 13th at Baltimore, Maryland.

On November 19th there will be a Conference on Marketing at the Agricultural College of Mississippi. Mr. Savelly of this Office and Mr. Moomaw and Mr. Bassett of Bureau of Markets will attend.

District Agent Meetings will be held at Oklahoma on
December 16th, 17th, 18th..... Muskogee.
" " " " " McAlester.
" 17th, 18th, 19th, Oklahoma City.
" 18th, 19th, 20th..... Guthrie.
" 19th, 20th, 21st..... Hobart.
" 19th, 20th, 21st... Clinton.

On account of an outbreak of typhoid fever at Bristol the Meeting of the Cheese Specialists will now be held on November 18th, 19th and 20th at Nashville, Tennessee. Mr. I. O. Schaub, Agriculturist and Field Agent will attend.

Date for Agents' Meeting at Knoxville, Tennessee is December 9th to 14th, 1918.

November 18th to 23rd, County Agents' Meeting at Blacksburg, Virginia, indefinitely postponed on account of influenza.

Group Meetings of County Agricultural Home Demonstration, and Boys' Club Agents will be held in West Virginia on

November 19th.....	Keyser.
" 20th.....	Clarksburg.
" 22nd.....	Charleston.
" 23rd.....	Hinton.

The date of the West Virginia State Grange Meeting has been changed to December 4th at Ravenswood, Jackson County, in the Odd Fellows Hall. Headquarters will be at Ravenswood Hotel.

The Dry Farming and Irrigation Congress have consolidated under the name of the International Farm Congress. No date has been given for the meeting as yet.

F I R S T A I D .

FAIRS.

The Florida State Fair will be held at Jacksonville, on November 27th to December 6th, 1918.

Hillsboro County Fair will be held at Plant City, Florida, on November 20th, 1918.

Every Southern Farmer should take advantage of the International Livestock Show at Chicago, on November 30th to December 7th inclusive. The Livestock Specialists of the Extension Service at Clemson College have planned to attend for the benefit of the South Carolina Farmers.

The Illinois Seed Corn Show and Demonstration will be held at Chicago, on November 30th to December 7th. This Department is under the direction of the Seed Corn Administration of Illinois State Council of Defense and has been added to the International Livestock Exposition.

National Dairy Show Association will be held at National Dairy Headquarters 130 North Wells Street, Chicago, Illinois, on Friday December 6th, 1918.

There is a county Fair to be held in Maryland, ~~at Leonardtown on November 23rd, 1918. Prof. Mather will attend.~~

American Royal Livestock Show at the Stockyards in Kansas City, Missouri, November 16th to 23rd.

A Convention of the Livestock Association at Charlotte, North Carolina will be held on December 10th to 13th. Large exhibits. The last day of the Charlotte Livestock Meeting held on December ~~14th~~ will be devoted entirely to sheep. Mr. A. G. Bigelow, president of the Philadelphia Wool Textile Association, will address this meeting.

A County Fair will be held at Pinehurst, Moore county, North Carolina, on November 21st and 22nd. The Southern Berkshire Congress Show and Auction Sale takes place at the same place on November 20th to 22nd.

Oklahoma State Poultry Federation at Nowata, Oklahoma, on December 16th to 21st, 1918.

"Agriculture is the great primary business or pursuit of the human race. Without it the world would perish. Were nature to lock up her stores and refuse to work for a single year, anarchy and chaos exceeding all powers of imagination would follow."

